foster networking, cooperation, and trust between Indiana and Chinese businesses. Albert also started the Asian American Alliance, which aims to inspire Asian Americans to mobilize and be leaders in the community, and provided funding for the Asian Learning Center of Indiana, which aims to educate, connect and engage Hoosiers about the history, cultures, and emerging business opportunities of Asia through public, private, community and business partnership in Indiana.

Albert is a champion in fostering economic growth and enhancing relationships between Indiana and Chinese businesses. Although Albert is retiring, his commitment to Telamon Corporation and the Hoosier community will live on through his continued mentorship. Albert is proud that his legacy will live on through his children Stanley and Stephanie. Stanley will be taking over as Chief Executive Officer and Stephanie as Chief Operating Officer. He is an inspiration, both as a businessman and a community leader, and for that we extend a huge thank you. On behalf of all Hoosiers, I'd like to congratulate Albert on his success and wish him and Margaret the best as he enjoys a well-deserved retirement.

TRIBUTE TO BERNIE AND CONNIE PETTINGER

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES $Friday,\ October\ 9,\ 2015$

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Bernie and Connie Pettinger of Anita, Iowa, on the very special occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. Bernie and Connie married in 1965.

Bernie and Connie's lifelong commitment to each other and their children, Paul, Dave, Mark, Kathy, Kim and Amy, their grand-children, and great-grandchildren truly embodies lowa values. I commend this devoted couple on their 50th year together and I wish them many more. I know my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives will join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion and in wishing them and their family nothing but the best moving forward.

CELEBRATING THE 90TH BIRTH-DAY OF EMILY LUCILLE JONES

HON. KENNY MARCHANT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 9, 2015

Mr. MARCHANT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the birthday of a hardworking and enduring woman, my aunt, Emily Lucille Jones. Emily was born on October 16, 1925 in Cooper, Texas, to Alfred and Cordie Jones.

Emily was born the third of eight children, all whom were active at a young age in day to day operations of the family farm. This taught Emily the importance of hard work and earning a living early on. After graduating from Gober High School in 1943 she moved to

Bonham, Texas, to work for the county clerk's office. While there, she started attending the First Baptist Church. Becoming involved in the church led her to meet Dan Carver, the man she would eventually marry in 1947 and with whom she would move to Lubbock, Texas.

As Dan attended Texas Tech University, Emily was employed by Southwestern Bell Telephone. After Dan earned his degree they had three beautiful children, Jeffrey, Judy, and Mary. In 1967 Emily received her Associates degree in elementary education from Trinidad Jr. State College and went on to earn her Bachelor of Science in elementary education in 1972 from Texas Tech University. Working with children was always a great passion of hers and she has always been a strong role model.

Emily was always an active teacher in various church organizations including Sunday school, Girls Auxiliary, and Bible School, to name a few. She worked as a teacher as well as managed finances for various companies. Even in her retirement Emily remains active in several senior groups within the church. Travel was her leisurely passion, as Emily has travelled extensively throughout Europe and the United States. She is an avid quilter and enjoys crossword puzzles, cooking, working in her yard, and spending quality family time with her only grandson, Andrew.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to celebrate the birthday of such a fulfilled and jubilant person, my aunt, Emily Lucille Jones. I ask all of my distinguished colleagues to join me in celebrating her ninety years.

RECOGNIZING THE MINDEN-SOUTH WEBSTER CHAMBER OF COM-MERCE FOR 2015 LOUISIANA SMALL CHAMBER AWARD

HON. JOHN FLEMING

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday. October 9, 2015

Mr. FLEMING. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to recognize the Minden-South Webster Chamber of Commerce for being presented the 2015 Louisiana Small Chamber of the Year Award. Since its inception in 1942, the Minden-South Webster Chamber of Commerce has worked towards the economic development of its members and the establishment of strong business relationships within the community. They are also actively engaged in strengthening and recognizing the contributions of all South Webster Parish residents. Recently the Chamber of Commerce hosted an inaugural First Responders Lunch. where they honored the self-sacrifice and dedication of all emergency first responders in the community. Through projects such as the Webster Education Endowment Fund, the Webster Youth Leadership Program, and 15 Under 40 Awards, students are poised for success and Webster schools are widely recognized as among the best in Louisiana. Furthermore the Chamber has achieved a rare combination of preserving the beautiful history of the community while incentivizing new urban development. They have the security interests of the entire nation at heart, as they coordinate closely with the National Guard in the economic development surrounding Camp Minden. All members of the chamber should feel confident that because of their dedication to initiative, our community will continue to prosper. I applaud the Minden-South Webster Chamber of Commerce for receiving this award, and I thank them for the exceptional work they provide in support of their community.

CONGRATULATING THE JEFFREY MODELL FOUNDATION ON THEIR NEW PARTNERSHIP WITH CHILDREN'S NATIONAL HOSPITAL IN WASHINGTON, DC

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 9, 2015

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Speaker, it is with my heartfelt congratulations that I rise today to recognize the Jeffrey Modell Foundation on the dedication of its newest Diagnostic and Research Center here in Washington, DC. Home to diagnostic and clinical care as well as an additional research facility, this new center will undoubtedly be a beacon of hope for families with children suffering from Primary Immunodeficiency both here in the metro-Washington area and across the country.

In 1986, Vicki and Fred Modell lost their only son, Jeffrey, to Primary Immuno-deficiency, a genetic disorder that leaves the body unable to fight off infections. Not long after their son passed away, the Modell's created the Jeffrey Modell Foundation—not to commemorate Jeffrey's death, but rather to celebrate his life by giving life to others who suffer from the same illness.

Today, the Foundation is a global organization devoted to early and precise diagnosis, meaningful treatments, and research toward a cure. A thriving force in the field, it achieves its aims through basic and clinical research, physician education, patient support, advocacy, public awareness, and newborn screenings. The Jeffrey Modell Centers Network now includes 600 expert physicians and 250 research, diagnostic, and referral centers. It has a presence in 206 cities, in 80 countries, on six continents.

On Tuesday, September 29th, Vicki and Fred came to Washington, DC to celebrate the dedication of the newest Jeffrey Modell Diagnostic and Research Center for Primary Immunodeficiency at Children's National Medical Center. This world-class facility will help sick children and their parents deal with the trauma of serious illness. Under the leadership of Dr. Michael Keller, this new Center will be a national center of excellence in patient diagnosis, clinical care, and research.

This great step forward for children suffering from serious illness throughout the Washington region came about because of the dedication, commitment and support shown by Vicki and Fred Modell and the Jeffrey Modell Foundation. I could not be more proud to congratulate and thank both the Jeffrey Modell Foundation and Children's National Hospital for all that they do to save so many precious lives.